

WILL HEAR REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

Baltimore Conference Makes It Special Order for Morning Session.

LIKELY TO CAUSE DEBATE

Following Busy Day, Adjournment Is Probable To-Night.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Roanoke, Va., March 31.—Monday will be an unusually busy day for the Baltimore Conference, and there are several subjects of special interest to be considered on that day. It is expected that three sessions will be held, and that the conference will adjourn with the evening session.

Two "special orders" are fixed already for the morning session. The first of these will be the consideration of the report of the committee on temperance, which has been fixed for 10 o'clock. The other "special order" is the memorial service for the two members of the conference who have died since the session of last year. This has been fixed for 11:30 o'clock, but it may be necessary for it to be deferred to a later hour, as the indications are that a good deal of time will be required for the consideration of the report on temperance. Members of the Virginia Anti-Saloon League are expected to be present at this time, and they will address the conference, as will some of the members of the conference, those who are members of the committee on temperance. The report may be adopted without discussion, but, owing to the late hour, it will be presented, but that such will be the case is not anticipated.

Other Reports Ready.

The reports of all of the other standing committees of the conference will be presented on Monday also. The call of the twenty-second session will be concluded probably during the morning session, before the report of the committee on temperance is submitted. The characters of the reports on the four of the seven districts are yet to be decided, and their reports to be submitted.

The directory of the conference announces that Rev. John R. Stewart, superintendent of the superannuated fund, will be present to present the report of the fund, and if he arrives he will be heard some time on Monday. There is an effort being made in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to secure an endowment fund for superannuated preachers, amounting to \$5,000,000. Interest in this movement has been quickened, no doubt, on account of the early age at which so many ministers in this church are retired from active service, that age being much younger in this than in other denominations.

One of the facts that will be remembered most pleasantly regarding this session of the Baltimore Conference is the spirit of good fellowship which has pervaded every session, and which has existed since the first session, and which has been the cause of the success of the conference. This was especially noticeable in the settlement of the Randolph-Macon matter, over which so many "conference battles" have been waged in other years. The settlement of the matter by the adoption of the resolution was effected without the semblance of bitter feeling or personal antagonism, and the same has been true in the consideration and settlement of all questions that have come before the conference.

Pugh-Mundy.

Charlottesville, Va., March 31.—C. S. Pugh, of the United States Navy, and Miss Katie Mundy, of Coveseville, this county, were married yesterday at the Hotel Gleason, this city, by the Rev. E. E. Lamb performing the ceremony. Mr. Pugh and Miss Mundy were sweethearts from childhood. When Mr. Pugh entered the navy a correspondence sprang up which culminated in the union here yesterday. After the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Pugh left for the Chesapeake and Ohio for Norfolk and Old Point, where they took the steamer for a trip to New York. They will be at home to their friends at Coveseville after April 15.

"A. P." Operator Dead.

Dalton, Ga., March 31.—James Smith, for many years a telegraph operator in the employ of the Associated Press, died at the home of his brother in this city yesterday. Mr. Smith's last work was with the New York World. He was considered one of the best operators in the business. His health broke down about a month ago, and he returned to his home in this city. He is survived by a wife.

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Members of Methodist Conference Preach in Various City Churches.

APPOINTMENTS DISCUSSED

Mount Vernon Place Now Proving Subject of Widest Interest.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Roanoke, Va., March 31.—Most of the congregations of the various denominations in Roanoke heard sermons today by visiting ministers, members of the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

A large congregation greeted Bishop W. B. Murrah at Belmont Church. He held the close attention of his hearers while he preached a sermon that was characterized by able thought, convincing argument, great earnestness, using as his text the words: "If any man thirst, let him come unto Me and drink."—John vii. 37.

After the sermon Bishop Murrah ordained five traveling preachers as deacons—J. H. Billingsby, John L. Thomas, Elmer A. Lambert, Edward A. Rhoades and Anthony O. Lyons. At the same time he ordained as deacons two local preachers—Lee Van Horne Ruckman and Frederick A. Allen.

No service relative to the conference was held during the afternoon. The ordination of the two traveling preachers as elders took place in Greene Memorial Church this evening. After the sermon by Rev. E. F. Cook, D. D., of Nashville, Arthur E. Owens and Wilfrid Lawson were ordained.

No local preachers were ordained elders. The congregation which was present at the conference love feast this morning was largely composed of preachers and visitors. This service was conducted by Rev. J. B. Dulaney, of Baltimore. Many of those present took part in the exchange of Christian experience, this feature occupying most of the time devoted to this service. Tributes were paid to the helpful influence of the class meeting, as it was conducted in the Methodist Church during the early years of the history of the church.

Rev. D. H. Kern of Staunton, said that he felt the time had come when the church should survive the class meeting as a regular feature of its services. He said that much had been lost by the neglect of holding this service.

Rev. F. J. Prettyman also spoke of the valuable influence of the class meeting in the church during his boyhood. There were numerous expressions of approval at the mention of the class meeting and its power in former history.

It is probable that Mt. Vernon Place, Washington, is the appointment which is most under discussion among the preachers outside of the cabinet. This church is open for a new pastor, as Rev. J. H. Wells has just completed there a tour of four years. The rumor in this connection which seems most prevalent is that Rev. E. V. Reister, who has closed his third year as presiding elder of the Baltimore District, will be appointed to Mt. Vernon Place, but the appointments when read by Bishop Murrah may not confirm this rumor.

The fact that the Representative Church, which the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, expects to erect in Washington within the next quadrennium will take the place of Mt. Vernon Place, adds to the interest of the conference in this appointment. It is the intention of those in charge of the plans for the Representative Church to erect a building at the cost of almost one million dollars, the money to be contributed by interested people in all of the conferences.

Dr. Reister is secretary of the convention, and is recognized, as one of the ablest men in the body. There are in the conference twenty-eight preachers who have closed their fourth year of their pastorate at this session, and thirty-three who have closed their third year. A large number of changes in the appointments are expected. Many of the members of the conference believe that one of the strongest forces in defeating the resolution recommending a change in the time for holding the conference was due to the large number of men closing the third year of their present pastorate. Had the resolution been adopted, the next conference year would have extended through eighteen months. Bishop Murrah stated that in keeping with the law of the church he would not appoint any preachers to a pastorate for the fourth year, if that year should include more than twelve months.

The rumor is that the appointments are all made and ready to be read as soon as the other business of the conference shall have been completed.

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MANY CANDIDATES WILL BE IN RACE

Democratic Primary in Alexandria Set for April 23.

Alexandria, Va., March 31.—Politics in this city for the Democratic primary which will be held April 23 next have begun to bristle, and the candidates for the various offices are just now working overtime in order to round up the voters, and there are many. Monday at noon will be the time limit for the candidates desiring to enter the contest to file their names with Charles Bendheim, city chairman of the Democratic committee. Within the past twenty-four hours many new names have been mentioned for city council, and already several of those whose names have been mentioned have filed notice of their candidacy with the chairman of the city committee.

The principal fight is for mayor. A primary here is equivalent to an election. The mayoralty fight is between Hubert Snowden and Albert D. Brockert. Both have their friends and both are making a mighty active fight. Mayor Pugh, incumbent, will not again be a candidate for office. The Snowden and Brockert factions are now on the go. Both sides claim victory, and the indications are that the fight will be a very close one. In addition to nominating a mayor, there are four aldermen and eight councilmen to be elected, representing one alderman from each ward and two councilmen. A decree will be entered in the Circuit Court for this city to-morrow by Judge J. B. T. Thornton on his decision on the arguments recently made before him on the exceptions filed to the report of H. Noel Garner, special commissioner. In the case of Marbury and others against the defunct Mercantile Railway Building and Loan Association. The court practically sustains the contentions made by Attorneys Norton and Boothe, attorneys for the receiver, in practically every instance. He held that the notes given to the various banks were legal obligations of the Mercantile Railway Building and Loan Association, and that all creditors would be entitled to preference. The court included among the creditors the holders of deposit books and little banks, most of whom were children. It also included among the creditors those who hold unpaid checks, the dividends paid on January 1, 1911. It is stated that the total notes due will amount to about \$38,000 and the total due banks will amount to about \$13,000. These items, it is stated, will consume more than the assets. It is thought that about 80 cents on the dollar will be paid by the concern to the foregoing.

Brief memorial services for the deceased members of Alva Aerie, No. 871, Fraternal Order of Eagles, were held to-night by that organization. Stealing three bicycles within an hour, among them one belonging to Jailer William Candler, of the city jail, from in front of the latter institution, resulted in the arrest of Wm.

Ham Falsen, a Washington negro. Pursued by the jailer, he was apprehended after a thrilling chase through the streets. Warden Candler gave chase on his own wheel after the negro fell from it and ran away finally capturing the third wheel. He will be given a hearing in the morning.

District Deputy Weaver, of Roanoke,

to-morrow night will install the recently elected officers of Alexandria Lodge of Elks. The ceremonies will be followed by a social session.

A committee of members of the Alexandria Trades Council will hold a meeting at 8 o'clock to-morrow night and formulate questions which will be submitted to the candidates for council. This is to determine the attitude of the candidates towards organized labor. The questions will be mailed to each of the candidates Tuesday morning.

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NEW SENATORS WILL TAKE SEATS

When They Are Sworn In Senate Membership Will Be Ninety-six.

Washington, March 31.—Four Senators from the two new States of Arizona and New Mexico will this week enlarge the membership of the upper branch of Congress to 96. The new men, all lawyers, are Marquis Aurelius Smith, of Tucson, and Henry F. Ashurst, of Prescott, Ariz., Democrats, who will be sworn in at the bar of the Senate to-morrow afternoon, and Thomas Benton Catron, of Santa Fe, and Albert Bacon Fall, of Three Rivers, N. M., Republicans, who may not arrive from New Mexico in time for installation to-morrow.

Both Senators-Elect Smith and Catron already have served as delegates in Congress. Mr. Fall was an associate justice of the Territorial Supreme Court under President Cleveland, but differed with his party during that regime and has since been an active Republican. Mr. Ashurst has been a State Senator. He is thirty-six years old. These four new Senators will change the political strength of the Senate to consist of fifty-one Republicans and forty-three Democrats. One senatorship from Colorado is vacant.

The new members will draw lots to determine which shall serve the long terms and the short terms. Under this legislative lottery two of the Senators will serve until 1917, one until 1915, and the fourth until 1913.

The National Monetary Commission, after framing a plan of reforming the currency system, which will not be adopted until some subsequent session of Congress, went out of existence today. Headed by former Senator Nelson W. Aldrich, of Rhode Island, the commission made an exhaustive investigation of the monetary situation here and abroad, and recommended legislation to develop the clearing-house idea into a national reserve association.

The House to-morrow probably will pass the wool tariff revision bill as framed by the Democratic leaders, and that measure will then join the accumulation of House tariff revision bills in the Senate, where the only tariff activity so far has been in hearings before the Finance Committee. That committee to-morrow will begin hearing one sugar interest on the House free sugar bill.

Democratic Leader Underwood, of the House, is not disposed to bring in any more revision bills unless the Senate shall indicate a likelihood of favorable action on those already pending.

News of Eastern Shores.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Onancock, Va., March 31.—Preparations for educational day at the Keller Fair are progressing, and the prizes offered include contests in agriculture as well as school work. In the different grades and branches. The premiums amount to more than \$200. This week has been and is devoted to the fair.

nate cloud and sunshine, with a great deal of rain. Springs are higher than for several years, and many fear injury to the Irish potato crop.

Gunning of the seaside is exceptionally good, and the bags taken by some of the gunners is very large. About the best day's shooting was fifty ducks and forty-one geese, by John Derrickson and L. Bowden.

Seed oysters are being run from Wachapreague to Norfolk, Conn.

The Chincoteague Fish and Guano Company, in its efforts to secure artisan water for the proposed water works and factories on Assateague Beach, reached a depth of 700 feet. At this point the pipe burst and had to be drawn. It will continue the effort the coming week.

Many of the life-saving stations are being supplied with self-bailing surf boats. One, the Welform, just received for Cobb's Island Station, is thirty-six feet in length, ten feet in width and has a thirty-eight-horse power engine, and cost \$3,000.

The Menhaden Oil and Guano Company, of Harborton, is making extensive improvements to its plant. Large coal piers are being built and an electric light plant installed. This will be so arranged as to enable its steamers to navigate the creek at night.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company is considering plans for a freight steamer after the model of the Mississippi boats to ply between Chincoteague and Franklin City. Freight shipments have so increased that larger carrying capacity is necessary. The bay there in places is quite shallow, and the change will be made to overcome the difficulty. The steamers now in use will continue the passenger and light freight traffic.

Right Foot Ground Off and Amputation Is Necessary.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Raleigh, N. C., March 31.—Ormond Markham, twelve-year-old son of W. J. Markham, fell under a Seaboard Air Line freight train about noon today, just in front of the State Penitentiary, and had his right foot ground off under the wheels, so that amputation had to be made just above the ankle. The boy and several playmates claim that young Markham was on the Southern track, and saw a train moving toward him, and stepped onto the Seaboard track, not knowing that the Seaboard freight was coming.

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